

Station KTVZ (TV), Bend, OR, has experienced localized interference when analyzing viewer reception. These local sources of interferences are difficult to pinpoint but they cause material degradation to signal reception in our mountainous region. The introduction of unlicensed facilities (XMTRS) to our region of the country would dramatically increase potential for interference to KTVZ (TV), the ONLY full-power TV station licensed to the Bend, OR market, potentially affecting 31,000 rural viewers in the area. These viewers take off-air signals as their primary source of news and emergency information. NPG of Oregon, Inc., licensee of KTVZ (TV) urges the FCC to defer implementation of its proposed rules for unlicensed transmitters until the DTV conversion process has been completed for both full power and LPTV stations.